

PUBLIC HEARING For Adopting Local Law #1 of 2022 overriding the 2% tax cap  
@ 6:00pm  
@ the Town Hall on September 6, 2022

Present:

Supervisor White  
Councilor Kerr  
Councilor Beachard  
Councilor Burnham  
Councilor Whiteford-absent  
Superintendent Meilleur  
Tess Eells-Town Clerk

Guests:

The Public Hearing was called to order at 6:00 PM by Supervisor White and opened to the public for discussion.

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**RESOLUTION # 62** Adopting Local law #1 of 2022 overriding the 2% tax cap

A motion was made by Councilor Kerr  
And seconded by Councilor Beachard

**Whereas** the town board gave the public the opportunity to voice for/ or against the Local law

**Therefore**, the Town Board adopts Local Law #1 of 2022 overriding the tax levy limit for the Town of Russell and authorizing the adoption by the Town of Russell for a budget that requires a tax levy that is greater than the tax levy limit.

**Title:** This Local Law shall be known as the "Town of Russell Responsible Budgeting Law".

**Whereas**, the State of New York has passed a property tax cap establishing a limit on the annual growth of property taxes for local governments; and

**Whereas**, General Municipal Law Section 3-c(5) permits a local government to adopt a budget that requires a tax levy greater than that set by the State; and

**Whereas**, it is anticipated that in order to have responsible government and finances to retain the necessary services, it would be in the Town of Russell's best interest to enact such Local Law so as to permit it, if necessary, to require a tax levy greater than the tax levy limit calculated pursuant to applicable New York State Law.

**Therefore**, it is hereby resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Russell is hereby authorized to exceed the tax levy limit, imposed by the State of New York for the Town of

Russell upon a vote of sixty percent (60%) of the total voting power of the Town Board, and authorizes the Town, after completing all required procedures for the adoption of a budget, to adopt a budget that requires a tax levy that is greater than the tax levy limit calculated pursuant to Section 3-c of the General Municipal Law.

**Effective Date:** This Local Law shall be effective upon the date of filing with the Secretary of State pursuant to Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Ayes – 4 Beachard, Burnham, White, Kerr  
Nays – 0 Motion carried

A motion was made by Councilor Whiteford and seconded by Councilor Burnham to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 PM

Ayes – 4 Beachard, Burnham, White, Kerr  
Nays – 0 Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted by Tess Eells, Russell Town Clerk.